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THOMAS TODD

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Into Wasatch County came one man who had as much determination, perhaps more, than anyone who ever came. This man was Thomas Todd. He says, "I was a great Bible reader and I became dissatisfied with my religious beliefs and my father's."

Thomas married in January, 1850, and on September 15, 1850 he joined the Church and began to want to join the body of the Church. No amount of pleading or intreaty—no form of bribery could induce him to stay in Scotland. Shortly before they were to leave, his oldest son died. His people felt he would not leave that little grave alone for the sake of a strange religion which they could not accept. Thomas' brother, Alexander, came as far as New York with them. Alexander even offered Thomas one-half of all his earthly possessions if he would return. Thomas chose his church and Wasatch County and never lost one second in regrets.

He took his turn in standing guard in Echo Canyon to resist Johnson's Army. When he got back home his family had been moved to Spanish Fork where he joined them. He participated in the Black Hawk War. He came to Wasatch in 1860 or 1861.

On May 17, 1863 Pres. Wm. M. Wall and Bishop Stacy Murdock ordered the Sacrament administered for the first time in Wasatch County at the home of Thomas Todd. He held many church and civic positions.

He was noted for his fine buildings and his mansion of a home. For a pioneer dwelling it was a masterpiece and still is. Whether the building was small or elaborate he built them well.

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